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Thesis Statement of James:

“The trying of your faith worketh patience, but let patience have her perfect work that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.” (*James 1:3-4*)

Gk. “Perfect” 5046. τέλειος, tel'-i-os ... mature (in various applications [including] mental and moral character, etc.); finished [Thayer]: — of full age, full-grown, perfect.

Gk. “Entire” 3648. ὀλόκληρος, hol'-ok'-lay-ros ... in every part, i.e. perfectly sound (in body): — entire, whole.

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Two Types of Trials—

1.) Positive trials, allowed for our good: (vv. 2-12)

2.) Negative trials, which we foolishly create: (vv. 13-16)

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James says that believers who endure suffering will receive the “*crown of life*” (*Jas. 1:12*).

5 Crowns of the New Testament:

- 1.) The Incorruptible Crown – (1 Corinthians 9:24-25)
- 2.) The Crown of Rejoicing – (1 Thessalonians 2:19)
- 3.) The Crown of Righteousness – (2 Timothy 4:8)
- 4.) The Crown of Glory – (1 Peter 5:4)
- 5.) The Crown of Life – (Revelation 2:10)

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